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Ms. Trish Chapman, Project Manager State Coastal Conservancy 1330 Broadway, 11th Floor Oakland, CA. 94612-2530

Re: Proposed San Clemente Dam Seismic Safety Project Land Transfer

Dear Ms. Chapman:

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District Board was pleased to receive a report on January 7th from staff outlining efforts that the State Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) is making to remove the San Clemente Dam and further protect local natural resources.

The Board fully discussed the California-American Water Company (Cal-Am) land transfer element of the dam removal proposal and the Conservancy's desire to identify a long-term transferee.

Please be advised that the Board is willing to consider accepting a future transfer of Cal-Am land in the vicinity of, and associated with, the project with the following conditions, that any transfer of land be:

- 1. At no cost to the District;
- 2. Exempt from any project engineering liability;
- Cleared of any hazmat or environmental clean-up costs;
- 4. Fully habitat restored from any project environmental impacts; and
- 5. Transferred after the project is completed in effect the last act.

If the existing road through the District's San Clemente Open Space is used for the project the Board would also like to see this road re-constructed and a small 8-vehicle parking area constructed at the Cachagua Road entrance as part of project completion.

The Board appreciates the Conservancy's continued interest in partnering with the District on public benefit projects.

Sincerely,

Mary Dainton, President

Cc: Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer

Terri Nevins, Central Coast Regional Manager

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